

## QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAM REPORT

January 1, 2002 – March 31, 2002

WRC-TV attempts to serve the public interest, convenience and necessity by presenting broadcast material, which treats significant issues of the people in the communities served by WRC-TV station. WRC recognizes that it has an ongoing obligation to remain aware of such community issues and to exercise its best judgment as to what broadcast matter should be programmed to treat those needs and interests.

The following is a brief description of such community issues and some of the programs we believe have provided the most significant treatment of such issues during the period October 1, 2000 – December 31, 2000, including the title of such program, its time, type, source, date and duration of broadcast.

NEWS FOUR AT FIVE AND TEN A.M., FOUR, FIVE, SIX AND ELEVEN P.M.  
TYPE: News Series SOURCE: Local TIME: 5:00-7:00AM, 10:00-11:00AM, 4:00-5:00PM, 5:00-6:00PM, 6:00-7:00PM, 11:00-11:35PM, Monday – Friday; 6:00-6:30PM, Saturday and Sunday. NEWS 4 TODAY. TYPE: News SOURCE: Local TIMES: Weekdays, 5:00-7:00AM, Saturdays, 6:00-7:00AM, 9:00-10:00AM, Sundays, 6:00AM-8:00AM, and 9:00AM-10:30AM. DURATION: See Times. WRC-TV reporters probe special issues of concern to area residents. **Stories generally appear more than once in the daily newscasts, as they are recapped throughout the day.** WRC-TV initiated, in December 1992, active closed captioning of its news broadcasts. Currently, all regularly scheduled news programs thirty minutes or longer are closed-captioned. Also, special news events sometimes are closed captioned, depending on the availability of the transcription service. The word for word transcription service includes chitchat between stories at two hundred plus words per minute, with less than a three-second delay. This effort addresses the needs of more than 300,000 deaf and hard of hearing people in the Washington area.

THE MCLAUGHLIN GROUP. TYPE: Public Affairs SOURCE: Syndicated (Originates from WRC-TV studios) TIME: Saturdays, 7:30-8:00PM, Repeated Sundays, 11:30AM. DURATION: thirty Minutes. This public affairs panel anchored by John McLaughlin, features discussion and analysis of current national and world events by five candid and respected Washington commentators.

ONE ON ONE. TYPE: Public Affairs SOURCE: Syndicated (Originates from WRC-TV) TIME: Sundays, 12:00 DURATION: Thirty Minutes. Host John McLaughlin interviews a prominent political or world leader each week on selected newsworthy issues.

REPORTERS NOTEBOOK. TYPE: Public Affairs SOURCE: Local TIME: Sundays, 6:15-6:30AM. DURATION: Fifteen Minutes. This reporter roundtable, which premiered on October 4, 1992, features discussion of public affairs issues by leading area journalists. The program is part of News 4 Today and usually is hosted by WRC-TV

reporter Tom Sherwood. Journalist Milagros Ardin, WMAL-AM; Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM; and Jerry Phillips, WBIG-FM/WTEM-AM, join him.

VIEWPOINT. TYPE: Public Affairs SOURCE: Local TIME: Sundays, 7:00-7:30AM. DURATION: Thirty Minutes. WRC-TV's Joe Krebs hosts this weekly exploration of issues and people impacting the community. The program is part of the two hour News 4 Today news block on Sundays from 6:00-8:00AM. It premiered on November 15, 1992

## **I. TAKING CARE OF OUR CHILDREN and FAMILY**

Many children in the Washington effort suffer from being denied the opportunity to grow up in a stable home with parents who can care for them emotionally and financially. WRC-TV helps these children directly through its Wednesday's Child project, described below. The station also broadcasts other news stories on the issue of adoption, some of which are described below.

NEWS FOUR AT FIVE PM. – WEDNESDAY'S CHILD. WRC-TV's Barbara Harrison, on selected Wednesdays, features a child or children who need a home, or celebrates a happy ending to an adoption story. In September, Barbara Harrison, with the Council of Governments, launched a program through which viewers may dial a phone number and find out more about adopting a child through any jurisdiction in our viewing area. Some of the stories are repeated on News 4 Sundays at nine AM. Some of the dates in which Wednesday's Child ran were:

January (1/2, 1/9, 1/16, 1/23, 1/30)

February (2/6, 2/13, 2/20, 2/27)

March (3/6, 3/13, 3/20, 3/27)

## **I. Kids, Family & Human Interest**

News4 January 1 – tonight most of the lottery winners picked the same number therefore they have to share the money

News4 January 2 – there are two families in Maine who happens to share the same birthdays and anniversaries

News4 January 2 – police are investigating the death of a teenage boy in Arlington Virginia

News4 January 3 – woman in California found wedding ring in her front yard after she lost it eighteen years ago

News4 January 6- there is growing concern in France that the nation's young people are not learning the National Anthem

News4 February 7 – fall out shelters are coming back into fashion since 9/11

News4 January 8 – Fire Chief in PA has been in charge of the Greensburg Fire Dept for almost 50 years, and was just elected for his 17<sup>th</sup> term

News4 January 10- school officials say the rebuilt Dogwood School will be ready for new students on Monday

News4 January 10 – The first American killed during the war in Afghanistan was buried today

News4 January 12 – A local organization usually sponsor a homicide vigil; however, this year the company lost participation due to the September 11 incident

News4 January 12 – The movie Vanilla Sky disappoints many of its viewers

News4 January 12 – The oldest worker in the United States was honored today in Detroit Michigan

News4 January 15 – a man in TX has been hired to clean more than seven and a half million pennies.

News4 January 16 – news report of a town in Georgia where they forgot to hold town council elections

News4 January 17 – highway officials in MD are making changes along the road where a high school student was killed

News4 January 21 – restoration of a Martin Luther King speech given to members of a synagogue in IL has been completed today

News4 January 21 – A Marine from MD who died in Afghanistan is being remembered today

News4 January 29 – a woman whose body was over 75% burned from the WTC attacks was released today

News4 January 31 – Geeks on call is a franchise based organization for franchises in Virginia and the District

News4 January 31 – The super bowl showcases what the Hollywood is attempting to accomplish this summer

News4 February 4 – Monster's Ball have become a big hit in the movie theatres

News4 February 5 – Georgetown Govinda Gallery displayed photos of pop star George Harrison

News4 February 6 – students taking part in the Presidential Classroom became the first members of the public to tour the Pentagon since 9/11

News4 February 7 – fall out shelters are coming back into fashion since 9/11

News4 February 21 – Contact win the Tony award before the show was released

News4 February 27 – report on college beauty pageant that turned violent

News4 March 4 – The astronauts on the space shuttle Columbia completed their first space walk this morning

News4 March 5 – General Motors has designed a concept car for families who like to travel with their pets

News4 March 5 – the annual Cherry Blossom Festival is scheduled this year for March 23 – April 8<sup>th</sup>

News4 March 5 – family shocked after opening a box with a live gold lizard thinking it was lawn ornaments

News4 March 6 – student from Seneca Valley High School had a big role in a play at the Warner Theatre

News4 March 6 – Astronauts install a new central power unit on a the Hubble space telescope

News4 March 7 – Astronauts installed a high-tech camera during a seven-hour space walk

News4 March 7 – Anna Nicole Smith is rewarded more than 88 million dollars of her late husband's estate

News4 March 12- the keys to the doors of a prison were found after eight days of searching

News4 March 12 – a postman in Scotland who captured the Loch Ness Monster on videotape talks about his experience that day

News4 March 13 – Photographer takes another picture of a girl her photo captured his attention on a national geographic cover eighteen years later

News4 March 26 – several fighter jets arrived from Afghanistan today

News4 March 26 – the flag raised over the world trade center building after the September 11 incident was returned to the New York City firefighters and police officers

News4 March 26 – a dead beat dad in Kentucky is denied the right to have sex until his sentencing in May

News4 March 26 – Britney Spears disappoints her fans in London because she was unable to interact with them

News4 March 26 – Tourism in DC is now increasing since its fall because of the September 11 incident

News4 March 26 – A deceased Brentwood postal worker's family sues doctor negligence and wrongful death even though he died from being exposed to anthrax

News4 March 26 – Members of the Catholic Church discussed the removal of a priest accused of sexual assault

News4 March 28 – Billy Wilder passed away last night at his home in Los Angeles

News4 March 28 – There was a foot washing ceremony in Jerusalem symbolizing Jesus washing his disciples feet before the last supper

News4 March 28 – Holy Thursday is the end of Lent and marks the three holiest days before Easter

News4 March 28 – Another body was found between the towers in New York City

News4 March 29 – a truck load of doughnuts was stolen in Louisiana but the driver escaped after leaving a fifteen mile trail of doughnuts

News4 March 29 – Robin Williams's movie called the Rookie wins best new movie honors this week

News4 March 29 – Chefs at the white house are preparing for the annual Easter egg roll

News4 March 29 – the latest update on Britain's royal family socially and health wise

News4 March 29 – members of two local churches prayed for a neighborhood and a local priest accused of sexual assault as part of their good Friday observance

News4 March 29 – the Pope participates in a Good Friday celebration disregarding the doctor's order to stay home

## **II. Health**

News4 January 1 – reaction from people who participated in the annual predictions and resolutions run

News4 January 1 – the first baby born in the metropolitan area this year was Stephen Blair

News4 January 1 – researchers have found certain birth control pills can reduce a woman's chances of getting ovarian cancer

News4 January 1- the largest drug company in the world is being sued for the death of three mothers in Montgomery County

News4 January 2 – Scientists believe cloning is going to lead to the creation of organs to fight against diseases

News4 January 2 – there is a new stent used to prevent the artery from closing which stops the cell from growing

News4 January 3 – the number of people with the flu symptoms have been decreased because of the anthrax scare

News4 January 7 – researchers believe they relieved symptoms of Parkinson's disease in rats by injecting them with embryonic stem cells

News4 January 12 – Researchers have found a new drug to improve the treatment of breast cancer

News4 January 12 – A few postal workers were exposed to anthrax at a warehouse in the northeast DC

News4 January 12 – A former police officer was given 10 years in prison after violating the civil rights of a homeless man

News4 January 16 – News 4 Your Health report about Multiple Sclerosis

Reporters Notebook, Sunday, January 20, 2002. News4 Anchor, Pat Lawson-Muse, Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM, Jerry Phillips, Clear Channel and Adrienne Washington, The Washington Times discuss shortage of vaccines that protect young children from disease and how it is affecting the Districts efforts to have all Public school students fully inoculated by January 25<sup>th</sup>

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News4 January 23 – Federal investigators are stepping up efforts to find out who mailed Anthrax letters

Reporters Notebook, Sunday, January 27, 2002. News4 Anchor, Pat Lawson-Muse, Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM, Jerry Phillips, Clear Channel and Adrienne Washington, The Washington Times discuss The Districts five year tax rollback program and in Virginia Governor Warner has proposed that state employees and teachers not get raises, and other measures to balance Virginia's budget.

News4 January 28 – DC public school system is now sending home any student who does not have their required immunization

News4 February 4 – Senator from Arizona is undergoing a surgery in order to cure the early signs of Melanoma

News4 February 5 – Monica George's family disagree with the verdict in court today. They strongly believe a diabetes drug given by the Pfizer company killed their family member therefore the company should have been punished

News4 February 7 – new blood test may be able to detect ovarian cancer in its earliest stage, when it's most curable

News4 February 8 – update on the DC School System's campaign to immunize all of it students

News4 February 8 – MD Governor Glendening has been diagnosed with melanoma

Viewpoint, February 17, 2002 - host Joe Krebs and guests Irene Polin, Chairperson, Sister to Sister-Everyone Has a Heart Foundation and Celia J. Maxwell, MD Assistant Vice Provost for Health Affairs and Director of the Women's health Institute, Howard University discuss women and heart disease



News4 February 21 – There is a debate between the government and Danish researchers concerning the effects of mammograms when preventing breast cancer

News4 February 21 – Scientists are trying to figure out the cause of a rash outbreak throughout the country at different schools

News4 February 27 – report on year-round allergies

News4 February 28 – news report on outbreak of mysterious rashes affecting school children across the country

News4 February 28 – a government report suggests that fallout from nuclear testing has caused thousands of cancer deaths in the US

News4 March 4 – A device used for checking lungs at Johns Hopkins is spreading serious bacteria to patients

News4 March 4, 5 - doctors at Johns Hopkins hospital in Baltimore suspect a medical device is the cause of a serious lung infection that has infected more than 100 people; the manufacturer of the equipment is accused of delaying recall for 2 months.

News4 March 5 – Christopher Reeve was on Capitol Hill today to urge the Senate to support and fund therapeutic cloning

News4 March 6 – report on high rate of depression on Black and Hispanic pregnant women; report on Anthrax vaccine shortage

News4 March 7 – preventative antibiotics have stopped serious effects of anthrax

News4 March 7 – test tubes babies are more likely to suffer from medical problems

News4 March 7 – a certain medication used for arthritis may also prevent sunburn and the development of skin cancer

News4 March 7 – the west nile virus is killing people especially in Florida

Reporters Notebook, Sunday, March 10, 2002 - News4 Anchor, Pat Lawson-Muse, Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM, Jerry Phillips, Clear Channel and Gloria Minott, WPFW-FM discuss PG Country School Superintendent Iris Metts and Board of Education Chairman Kenneth Johnson have decided to work together to patch up their tattered relationship

Reporters Notebook, Sunday, March 10, 2002. News4 Anchor, Pat Lawson-Muse, Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM, Jerry Phillips, Clear Channel and Gloria Minott, WPFW-FM In Virginia the House of Delegates and Senate struck a budget deal that gives Virginia Employees and teachers a bump in pay, restores millions to a key road building fund and makes deep funding cuts to agencies and programs



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News4 March 12 – a man whose heart was replaced by an artificial one speaks out

News4 March 13 – children who are obese are more likely to develop diabetes

Viewpoint March 17, 2002 host Joe Krebs and guests Doreen Croser, Executive Director, American Association on Mental Retardation; Mary Lou Meccariello, Executive Director, the ARC of Washington, DC and Patricia B. McCoy, Pres of the Board, The ARC of Prince George's County discuss mental retardation awareness

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Viewpoint March 24, 2002 - host Joe Krebs and guests Carlos Fernandez, Medical Director, Washington Regional Transplant Consortium, Christine Stengel, Organ Donor, and ViNita Warren Organ Recipient discuss organ transplants

News4 March 26 – a new study showed that the use of aspirin might not be effective when preventing heart attacks

News4 March 26 – the president announced his nominations for the US general surgeon and the director of the national institutes of health

News4 March 26- a new study showed that anthrax vaccine is not harmful to a woman's fertility

News4 March 26- a family is pursuing a fifty million dollar lawsuit as a result of anthrax killing their family member

News March 28 – the US might a prime target of smallpox because of bio-terrorism

### **III. Politics**

News4 January 1 – A new President was appointed in Argentina, which makes him the fifth leader in the past two weeks

News4 January 1 – Michael Bloomberg was sworn in as the new mayor inn New York City

News4 January 1 – Eight prisoners from Afghanistan were transported from one navy ship to another

News4 January 3 – An agent part of the President security wants an apology from the American Airlines

News4 January 3 – The American warplanes dropped about 100 two thousand pound bombs

News4 January 3 – The law enforcement officials are going to remain on high alert from now until March

News4 January 7 – There is a need to improve the safety conditions in nursing homes located in the District; as a result, Delegate Eleanor Holmes Norton attempts to get federal funding in order to rebuild these facilities

News4 January 7 – There is a controversy between the President and the Democrats concerning the cause of many deficiencies within the economy

News4 January 7 – New York City is recuperating from the September 11 tragedy and future plans are being developed when it comes to rebuilding the city

News4 January 7 – Recent updates on Bin Laden's new location and the investigation concerning the ongoing war in Afghanistan

News4 January 9 – Mayor Anthony Williams apologizes to the public for private fundraising in his office without any public accounting

News4 January 9 – Maryland's General Assembly began its session about issues to resolve in 2002

News4 January 9 – The legislature in Virginia has come across major challenges with their proposed budget for the year

News4 January 10 – Recent developments on the justice department's investigation concerning major problems with the Texas based company Enron

News4 January 10 – A proposal for a new security plan for the monument in DC has been developed; however, the public feel they should have a say before the proposal is approved

News4 January 10 – The first group of prisoners from Afghanistan are being transferred to the US military base in Cuba. Also, President Bush signed a defense-spending bill for the fight against terrorism at the pentagon

News4 January 10 – Today marks the 29<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Roe vs. Wade decision

News4 January 10 – The president comments on Osama Bin Laden tapes and the public was given a chance to view excerpts from them

News4 January 10 – The US plans to attack Al-Quida terrorists in Afghanistan with bombs including daisy cutters

News4 January 10 – Israel attacks Palestine leaving two young boys killed. Israel expressed its deep regrets

News4 January 14 – President Bush fainted while promoting his economic plans for the year

News4 January 14 – Prisoners from Afghanistan have threatened people working for the American embassy in Yemen

News4 January 14 – Virginia Governor Mark Warner gave his first state of commonwealth speech and emphasized his plans to cut the budget

News4 January 15 - There are major problems with the budget for the public school system in Washington DC

News4 January 15 – There have been plans to cut the Maryland state income tax but the governor wants to put that on hold until the budget is balanced

News4 January 15 – The marines discovered an enemy hideout not too far from the US base in Afghanistan

News4 January 16 – In his state of the state address, the governor of Maryland said his staff has created a security package and which prevents national guardsmen from losing their jobs when called to duty

News4 January 16 – The public will be exposed to excerpts of tapes from Afghanistan to prevent terrorists from entering the country. Also a man has volunteered to assist US officials trace the money trail in Afghanistan.

News4 January 17 – Virginian planners reveal some of their plans dealing with the renovation of their side the Wilson Bridge

News4 January 17 – Members of the 459<sup>th</sup> airlift wing at Andrews Air Force Base have been assigned to transport the prisoners from Afghanistan to Cuba

News4 January 17 – A Palestinian gunmen killed six people and wounded thirty others at a banquet in the northern part of Israel

News4 January 21 – Recent developments about the bad treatment given to the prisoners in Cuba from Afghanistan

News4 January 22 – The United Way collected three million dollars for a September 11<sup>th</sup> fund. Also the company revealed an audit for its finances is in progress

News4 January 22 – The Defense Secretary states detainees from Afghanistan are not being mistreated, they are just being held captive

News4 January 23 – Tax cuts in DC was to take effect over five years ago, but the city has saved million of dollars so the tax cuts have been rolled backed

News4 January 23 – Court TV is asking permission to be in the courtroom during Zacarias Moussaoui's (Afghanistan terrorists) trial in the fall because cameras are forbidden in federal courtrooms

News4 January 23 – There are allegations about financial mismanagement within the DC chapter of the company United Way

News4 January 24 – Controversy over prayer before eating dinner in the military

News4 January 25 – Altered photos of terrorists were released in case these men attempt to change their physical appearance

News4 January 25 – A few members of congress visited the detention center in Cuba to investigate allegations of mistreatment of the prisoners from Afghanistan

Reporters Notebook, Sunday, January 27, 2002. News4 Anchor, Pat Lawson-Muse, Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM, Jerry Phillips, Clear Channel and Adrienne Washington, The Washington Times discuss Kathleen Townsend and the increase of support among democrats for her gubernatorial campaign

News4 January 28 – US soldiers were injured after a hard landing in Afghanistan. Also US soldiers and Afghan troops killed six Al-Quida fighters

News4 January 28 – A reporter from Wall Street Journal was captured in Pakistan because he was mistaken for a CIA officer from the United States

News4 January 28 – President Bush offers a 50 million dollar loan to help rebuild Afghanistan after meeting with interim leader Hamid Karzai

News4 January 29 – Prince George's County school superintendent is considering other job offers

News4 January 30 – The general accounting office attempts to sue the white house for its involvement in the Enron investigation

News4 January 30 – President Bush includes the terrorists' plots in his state of union address

News4 January 31 – Officials have found information on computers at the terrorists camps in Afghanistan about more plans to attack the United States

News4 January 31 – The government in the District, Maryland, and Virginia are among those collecting money to prevent bioterrorists attacks

News4 February 1 – Amtrack is going to cut its budget and limit its services if congress is unwilling to give the company more funds

News4 February 2 – The ongoing problem between the Prince George's County superintendent and the school board will determine if the superintendent stays in office

News4 February 2 – Recent developments on the location and condition of the Wall Street Journal reporter captured in Pakistan

News4 February 2 – A recent report showed that the US security force still needs some improvement because two investigators disguised themselves and were able to pass the checkpoints without being checked

News4 February 2 – The President wants Congress to approve a six billion dollars budget, which will be used for protecting bio-terrorism, improvement of public health monitoring, and increasing vaccines, anti-biotics, other treatment and research

News4 February 4 – President Bush has proposed a budget specifically for defense spending, and homeland security; however, it cuts highway projects and health and education programs

News4 February 4 – Police in Pakistan are doing everything to find the reported from wall street journal

News4 February 5 – The school board fired superintendent last night; however, she was re-instated because she needs 45 days awareness before she can be officially dismissed

News4 February 6 – DC city council urge the mayor to dismiss the inspector general because of the location of his home. The mayor did not respond to the city council

News4 February 6 – CIA director reveals the CIA were aware of the attacks that took place on September 11; however, they were not given any specific dates

News4 February 7 – President Bush talks about the legal status of the prisoners on the detention center located in Cuba

News4 February 8 – Senate approved a bill that would make aggressive driving a new type of crime

News4 February 8 – Virginia lawmaker is withdrawing a bill that would allow some people to carry guns into bars

News4 February 11 – Virginia Governor revealed the decrease in revenue collections may lead to budget cuts, and job layoffs

News4 February 11 – A congressional panel plans to investigate many of the problems within the energy company Enron.

News4 February 22 – Congressman Gary Condit promises to help close the Chandra Levy case if he is re-elected

News4 February 26, 27 – Controversy involving the DC Inspector General, Charles Maddox on whether he lives on the District.

News4 February 27 – Federal Reserve Chairman Greenspan told Congress today that he sees increasing signs of economic recovery

News4 February 27 – Controversy concerning the location of the residence of DC inspector general Charles Maddox because top officials are required to live in the District

News4 February 27 – Details about this year's cherry blossom festival will be released at a news conference

News4 February 27 – Congress addressed concerns relating to airline security by creating ways to improve airline security without offending anyone

News4 February 27 – Former diplomat who killed a teenager in Maryland from drunk driving has been released from prison

News4 February 28 – Public tours of the US Capitol have been extended hoping to improve the status of the area economy

News4 February 28 – The Senate created a joint resolution in memory of the late CIA Agent Johnny Michael Spann who lost his life during the war in Afghanistan

News4 February 28 – One of President Richard Nixon's tapes concerning the war in North Vietnam was recently released by the National Archives

News4 March 4 – Queen Elizabeth's itinerary of her five day visit to Australia was mistakenly faxed to a McDonalds restaurant

News4 March 4 – There is a lot of air noise at Reagan National Airport despite the fact the numbers of planes have been limited because the airport have not been fully reopened

News4 March 4 – The Virginia General Assembly approved a two year budget plan concerning tax referendum for both transportation and education

News4 March 5 – Prince George's County acting police chief started work today for the first time in this office

News4 March 5 – The mayor wants to raise the salary for teachers about 20 percent over the next three years

News4 March 5 – Congressman Gary Condit chances for winning the Democratic Congressional Primary in California

News4 March 5 – Virginia general assembly is debating on whether or not the tax referendum should be used for transportation, education or both.

News4 March 5 – President Bush and the President from Egypt discussed resolutions concerning peace and stability in the Middle East

News4 March 6 – The Attorney General has recruited someone to improve the safety conditions at the grassroots level

News4 March 6 – Chandra Levy's parents wants Congressman Gary Condit to keep his promise when it comes to finding their daughter despite the fact he was defeated in the elections

News4 March 6 – The release of a final report on President Clinton and his involvement in the Monica Lewinsky scandal

News4 March 6 – Mayor Tony Williams and Abe Pollin (owner of the MCI Center) had a meeting about match up between Mike Tyson and Lennox Lewis at the MCI Center in the near future

News4 March 6 – Latest news about former Mayor Barry running in the next elections and his chances for winning

News4 March 6 – A final report on President Clinton and the Monica Lewinsky matter has been released

News4 March 6 – The latest news on the city's efforts to host a fight between Mike Tyson and Lennox Lewis

News4 March 6 – Former Mayor of DC Marion Barry attempts to run for his old office in the next election



News4 March 7 – President Bush send Anthony Zinni to stop the rising cycle of violence in the Middle East

News4 March 7 – There was a rally in Annapolis for more police accountability in the state

News4 March 7 – Towson University has spend a large amount of money due to the fact they bought a mansion for its president over the past summer

News4 March 7 – There has been a budget breakthrough in the Virginia General Assembly

News4 March 7 – The Federal Reserve Chairman offered his assessment of the US economy in more than a year

Reporters Notebook, Sunday, March 10, 2002. News4 Anchor, Pat Lawson-Muse, Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM, Jerry Phillips, Clear Channel and Gloria Minott, WPFW-FM discuss former Mayor Marion Barry's plans to run for an at-large seat on the DC council

Reporters Notebook, Sunday, March 10, 2002. News4 Anchor, Pat Lawson-Muse, Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM, Jerry Phillips, Clear Channel and Gloria Minott, WPFW-FM Discuss Maryland's prominent black democrats say their party has done little to reward minority voters. In Virginia the House of Delegates and Senate struck a budget deal that gives Virginia

News4 March 11- Pictures of the September 11<sup>th</sup> incidents were shown to the public for the last time

News4 March 11- One of the airborne rangers who dropped out of college to fight in the war funeral was held today in Northern Virginia

News4 March 11- The Vice President and the British Prime Minister marks the remembrance of the September 11 incident in London

News4 March 11 – A hostage taker killed himself in the Netherlands after the holding several office workers for about seven hours

News4 March 11 – President Bush marked the September 11<sup>th</sup> incident by hosting a ceremony at the white house and asked the world to maintain their commitment to the war on terrorism

News4 March 11 – Survivors from the pentagon were interviewed today as they remember the September 11 incident

News4 March 11- Passengers from the United Airlines Flight 93 were also remembered today

News4 March 11 – It has been concluded that the world has changed since the September 11 incident in the United States

News4 March 11 – Controversy over whether or not the redistricting plan is constitutional or unconstitutional in the state of Virginia

News4 March 11 – Recent update on the teacher from Sierra Leone Hilda Taylor

News March 11 – The defense secretary reflects on the future of the pentagon after the September 11<sup>th</sup> tragedy

News March 12 – Homeland security chief announced a color code system for terrorists' threats

News4 March 12 – Tyson passed mental and physical exams and his fight against Lewis Lennox is scheduled for the month of June

News4 March 12 – Gasoline prices are increasing because the spring season is approaching

News4 March 12 – Political confrontation and chaos are the consequences in the ruling for Delegate Jack Rust

News4 March 12 – British government insist Lewis Farrakhan should not be allowed in their country because he was banned from returning in 1986

News4 March 12 – The President visited Philadelphia to talk to service groups about their financial commitment to the September 11 incident

News4 March 12 – A settlement has been reached concerning a catholic priest accused of molested a large number of people during their childhood

News4 March 13 – Members of the senate approved a less rigid plan for automakers

News4 March 13 – The man accused of killing a sheriff's deputy in Georgia was sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole

News4 March 13 – Members of Congress has proposed the Anacostia Waterfront which is expected to bring 5000 jobs to the area

News4 March 13 – President Bush expressed his feeling about the incident where two of the hijackers involved in the world trade center bombing were issued student visas

News4 March 13 – Personal opinions about Judge Thompson sentencing in cases involving molestation and rape

News4 March 26 – Congressman Gary Condit was questioned about being under a grand jury subpoena

News4 March 26 – The President signs a legislation which extends unemployment benefits to those workers who lost their jobs after the bombing of the world trade center

News4 March 26 – Retired army general Hugh Shelton is hospitalized after falling from his home and injuring his spine. He will undergo surgery.

News4 March 26 – Congressman Gary Condit and his top aides were issued a subpoena by a grand jury

News4 March 26 – The Arab summit continues but the Palestinian leader plans to address assembled leaders by satellite

News4 March 28 – An I-G report was written about the private fundraising in the mayor's office however, a lot of details were left out

News4 March 28 – The Arab summit ended today and it was agreed upon that Israel would be recognized by the Arab world

News4 March 29 – The mayor is facing his third ethic problem since his election in 1998

News4 March 29 – The UN secretary general comments about the violence taken place in Israel

#### **IV. Environment**

News4 January 1 – forest fires are out of control in Australia

News4 January 1 – technicians used chlorine dioxide gas to kill traces of anthrax spores in the hart senate office building

News4 January 2 – there was water main break in Wheaton Maryland earlier today but it will be fixed by tonight

News4 January 3 – a majority leader in the senate received a letter which contained an unidentified powdery substance

News4 January 7- health officials discussed method being used to decontaminate the Brentwood Post Office – chlorine dioxide gas; neighbors are concerned

News4 January 7 – Georgetown infrastructure project started again tonight

News4 January 16 – a mix up occurred at an Anne Arundel County gas station, and people who thought they bought kerosene are being warned it may really be gasoline

News4 January 21 – a volcano in the Congo has caused even more death and destruction: lava touched off a massive explosion and fireballs at a gas station

News4 January 22 - Hart Senate Office Building has been declared safe from Anthrax

News4 January 23 – Loudoun County High will remain closed because of fire damage

News4 January 31 – The portion of Laurel High School destroyed during the tornado last fall has been fixed and re-opened

News4 February 6 – news coverage of two cold weather deaths

News4 February 11 – in Southern California, people are returning to their homes after fleeing a wildfire fed by extremely high winds

News4 March 4 – Fort Detrick's main goal is to perform research and test on cases involving anthrax

News4 March 5 – There is major construction being done underground in Georgetown and it should be completed in two years

Reporters Notebook, Sunday, February 24, 2002 - News4 Anchor, Pat Lawson-Muse, Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM, Jerry Phillips, Clear Channel and Adrienne Washington, The Washington Times discussed Maryland, the regions transportation planning board voted unanimously to adopt stricter and more costly anti-smog measures after Maryland Gov Parris N. Glendening surprised the panel by saying Maryland would help pay to reduce vehicle exhaust

Reporters Notebook, Sunday, March 3, 2002 - News4 Anchor, Pat Lawson-Muse, Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM, Jerry Phillips, Clear Channel and Adrienne Washington, The Washington Times discussed conditions in Metro area are intensifying with the possibility of a summer drought

News4 March 5 – new study shows that breathing polluted air can be as risky as breathing second hand smoke

News4 March 6 – commissioners in the town near Camp David voted to close down car washes and allow coin-operated laundry to be open only 3 days a week due to drought

News4 March 6- Governor of Maryland is ready to declare a drought emergency in part of the state

News4 March 26 – an earthquake in Afghanistan killed hundreds of people

News4 March 26 – the earthquake in Afghanistan has prevented the country from rebuilding itself

## **V. Transportation**

News4 January 3 – Issuing tickets has caused drivers to slow down on the roads in the District

News4 January 3 - Two motorists are in critical condition after an accident took place on interstate 295 during the afternoon

News4 January 10 – transportation officials in Montgomery County are trying to decide how to make road where teenager was killed safer

News4 January 14 – the police department in Reading, PA, has run out of parking ticket books

News4 January 15 – two traffic congestion relief projects are being given new life

News4 January 23 – the trolley is being considered as a possible new way to ease traffic congestion in the District

News4 January 28 – police are investigating a car crash that resulted in the death of 2 teenagers

News4 January 30 – a steel beam fell 12 stories and missed hitting the driver of a car by just 6 inches; local safety officials are taking a hard look at pedestrian safety

News4 January 30- a car went out of control and plowed into a group of children and adults today outside a school near LA

News4 February 1 – news coverage of military plane crash in Pakistan

News4 February 4 – Three teenage boys were killed in Arlington Virginia while police attempted to arrest after they stole a car

News4 February 8- the FAA has approved the use of blast-proof containers for luggage

News4 February 8- the NTSB wants airline pilots to be re-trained based on crash of AA flight 587

Reporters Notebook, Sunday, February 24, 2002 - News4 Anchor, Pat Lawson-Muse, Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM, Jerry Phillips, Clear Channel and Adrienne Washington, The Washington Times discussed Metro's new rail cars that were pulled from service 41 times last month because of malfunctions. In Maryland, the regions transportation planning board voted unanimously to adopt stricter and more costly anti-smog measures after Maryland Gov Parris N. Glendenning surprised the panel by saying Maryland would help pay to reduce vehicle exhaust

News4 February 28 – security breach at LAX Airport caused evacuation

News4 February 28 – there is a bill in Annapolis that would allow the county to use radar cameras to catch speeders.

News4 March 4 - Transportation Secretary Norman Mineta announced a \$103M security contract for airport security

News4 March 4- news report of airline jet emergency landing

News4 March 4 – The closest hotel to the white house will re-open after being renovated for four months due to security purposes

News4 March 5 – proposal to revive Inter County Connector linking PG county and Montgomery County has been turned down

News4 March 6- astronauts performed a critical surgery today on the Hubble Space telescope

News4 March 12 – NASA is preparing for its next shuttle mission

News4 March 12 – Space shuttle Columbia landed this morning and the crew was able to complete their mission to upgrade the hubble telescope

News4 March 12 – INS mistakenly approved two hijackers participating in the September 11 incident for student visas

News4 March 28 – Pilots asked the government to ground planes until their safety is assured

## **VI. Education**

Reporters Notebook, Sunday, January 6, 2002. News4 Anchor, Pat Lawson-Muse, Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM, Jerry Phillips, Clear Channel and Adrienne Washington, The Washington Times discuss charter school movement in Virginia

Viewpoint January 13, 2002 Host Joe Krebs discusses education reform bill with Krista Kafer, Senior policy analyst for education, The Heritage Foundation; Timothy L. Jenkins, Interim President, university of the District of Columbia; and Kim Anderson, Senior Professional Associate Government Relations, National education Association.

Reporters Notebook, Sunday, February 3, 2002. News4 Anchor, Pat Lawson-Muse, Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM, Jerry Phillips, Clear Channel and Adrienne Washington, The Washington Times discuss Prince Georges County School superintendent Metts and her pending resignation

Reporters Notebook, Sunday, February 17, 2002. News4 Anchor, Pat Lawson-Muse, Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM, Jerry Phillips, Clear Channel and Adrienne Washington, The Washington Times discuss Prince Georges County School superintendent Metts and mounting support and actions to prevent the board from taking any personnel action against her

Reporters Notebook, Sunday, February 10, 2002. News4 Anchor, Joe Krebs, Milagros Ardin WMAL-AM, Jerry Phillips, Clear Channel and Adrienne Washington, Washington Times discuss shifting tide against PG County school board

News4 February 21 – Health officials are investigating the health condition of a large percentage of students at Amidon Elementary School in Southwest DC

News4 March 11- Victor Kamkin Incorporated of Rockville sells literature on the former Soviet Union; however its owners were to be evicted this morning and all books were to be destroyed but something came up

News4 March 26- the news chancellor of the University of Maryland was introduced today

News4 March 26 – debate over whether or not money should be given to the supporters of a planned national slavery museum

News4 March 28 – DC officials wants to lower the starting age for education from age five to three

News4 March 28 – nine students from DC received a full four-year scholarship to George Washington University

News4 March 28 – Louis Armstrong's cornet is going on display at the museum of American history

News4 March 28 – shaped ice sculptures have been used to as a way to win tickets to see the Indiana University basketball team play in the final four



## **VII. Crime**

News4 January 2 – Man accused of murdering an American Online executive will face charges in DC

News4 January 3 – Police found a dead body and are trying to figure out its connection to a recent kidnapping

News4 January 3- The man accused of a new years' eve shooting is being held without bond in a DC jail

News4 January 31 – Two shootings occurred in Montgomery and Prince George's Counties less than six hours apart

News4 January 31 – Workers at the Oak Hill juvenile has agreed to inform the police of any breakouts to reassure nearby residents of their safety

News4 January 31 – A state department employee was indicted by a grand jury after attempting to kill her best friend's husband by shooting him in the leg

News4 February 4 – There was a hearing in Loudoun County for a woman accused of plotting her father's murder

Reporters Notebook, Sunday, February 10, 2002. News4 Anchor, Joe Krebs, Milagros Ardin WMAL-AM, Jerry Phillips, Clear Channel and Adrienne Washington, Washington Times discuss the number of assaults with deadly weapons in DC schools has doubled in past four years.

Reporters Notebook, Sunday, February 17, 2002. News4 Anchor, Pat Lawson-Muse, Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM, Jerry Phillips, Clear Channel and Adrienne Washington, Washington Times discussed PRCOUNTY police chief John S Farrell, crime rates plunging down and modernization of force as his decision to resign

News4 February 21 – Reporter from wall street journal was killed by those who captured him

News4 February 21 – Police are in the process of solving consistent home invasion and armed robberies in Montgomery County

News4 February 21 – The sixteen-year-old teenager connected with a car accident in DC has been charged with second-degree murder

News4 February 21 – The last victim of the world trade center tragedy was released from the hospital today

News4 February 21 – Police are trying to determine the connection between the hit and run injuring three children and another car accident

News4 March 4 – Parents of a 7 year old girl killed in California speaks out for the first time hoping to help other parents protect their children

News4 March 4 – Police in Fairfax County are initiating an Operation Safe Corridor from the Beltway to the Prince William County border

News4 March 4 –Seven US soldiers were killed in Afghanistan today

News4 March 4 – The violence-taking place in the Middle East continues to get worse

News4 March 5 – Violence is around the clock in the Middle East and many people are losing their lives

News4 March 5 – The five year old child rescued from the C and O canal died this morning

News4 March 5 – Police are investigating several prank calls made to citizens following the September 11 incident

News4 March 5 – the family and friends of an officer private gathered in Alexandria to remember the life of their deceased

News4 March 6 – an innocent victim killed because he was mistaken for another individual in Pasadena, Maryland

News4 March 6 – the war in Afghanistan continues

News4 March 11 – Former basketball player Jayson Williams is being charged for his involvement in a shooting that took place in his home

News4 March 11 – a car accident in Charles County killed two teens and injured one

News4 March 11 – police are investigating the death of a man involved in a hit and run accident this morning in Fairmount Heights

News4 March 12 – police arrested man for stealing a delivery truck

News4 March 12 – residents in a Deanwood neighborhood say the crime level continues to increase because there is not enough police presence

News4 March 12 – Darryl Strawberry is accused of violating orders at the drug treatment center and getting into a physical fight

News4 March 12 – Andrea Yates faces the possibility of the death penalty as a result of drowning her children

News4 March 12 – The federal government is attempting to conduct a nationwide of the news alert system

News4 March 12 – A former church employee was finally arrested after he opened fire during a mass service and killed two people

News4 March 13 – a landlord in DC was sentenced to two years in prison because of his failure to warn tenants about the danger of lead based paint

News4 March 13 – recent developments about the shooting that took place in Glen Burnie because of an identity mistake

News4 March 26 – the FBI is investigating two American citizens for their connection to the terrorist groups

News4 March 26 – Police are investigating an incident where the driver of a limousine ran into and crashed into a house

News4 March 26 – the investigation on anthrax is still going on

News4 March 26- police are investigating the connection of a shooting that took place last night to another shooting that occurred days ago

News4 March 28 – the violence in the Middle East is keeping a lot of pilgrims away from Jerusalem during holy week

News4 March 28 – Police charged an airline passenger for interfering with a delta flight taking off from Boston

News4 March 28 – A Montgomery County landlord six months sentence to jail for failure to install smoke detectors was suspended

News4 March 28 – an ongoing construction caused part of the Mazza Gallerie to catch on fire

News4 March 28 – man arrested for a murder on 16<sup>th</sup> street northwest

News4 March 29 – the war continues to expand throughout the nations in the Middle East

News4 March 29 – the sex scandals in the Catholic Church is definitely affecting the impact of holy week

News4 March 29 – a judge refuses to drop murder charges against the former mayor of York, Pennsylvania

News4 March 29 – recent developments on the disappearance of Jimmy Hoffa

News4 March 29 – police in Fairfax County have arrested man who killed his parents and brother over seven years ago

News4 March 29- Police are investigating fencing operations in the metropolitan area

### **VIII. Consumer**

News4 January 2 – phone services are being restored in Georgetown after a manhole flooded and damaged cables underground

News4 March 7 – the President proposed plan to make companies more accountable to the government and their investors

News4 March 11 – David Letterman will continue to work for CBS television station

News4 March 11 – a contract has been made to save almost two million books written about the former Soviet Union

News4 March 13 – Several federal agencies have started using secure pda

News4 March 26 – Businesses are finally starting to pick up after the September 11 incident

News4 March 26 – a new target store in Oregon has carpet that generates static electrically and it is affecting consumers as they move around the store

News4 March 28 – tips were given on how to prevent cars from being stolen